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STORY TIME WITH THOMAS

Thomas Takes a Shortcut!

1 Thomas and Bertie love to have races. One **bright** and sunny day, **Thomas** was pulling Annie and Clarabel along on his branch line when they met Bertie. "Hello, slow coach!" joked Bertie.

2 "**Ignore** him, Thomas," said **Annie**. She was worried Thomas would go fast to keep up with Bertie. That's exactly what he did – and he arrived at Dryaw Station two minutes **early**. "I always get my passengers to the station on time!" he chuffed.

It is almost 9:30.

3 Still, **Bertie** had arrived before Thomas. "You must be slowing down," he told Thomas. Thomas was cross! "Let's **race** again!" he said to Bertie. The Station Master at Dryaw blew his whistle, and Thomas and Bertie pulled away, picking up speed.

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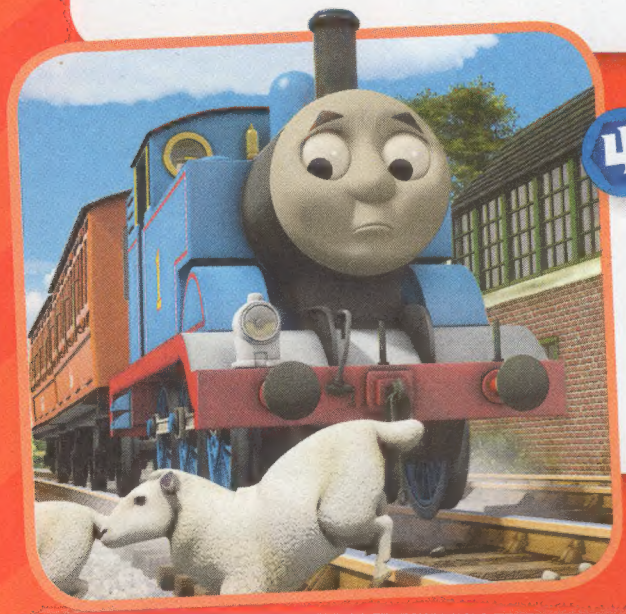
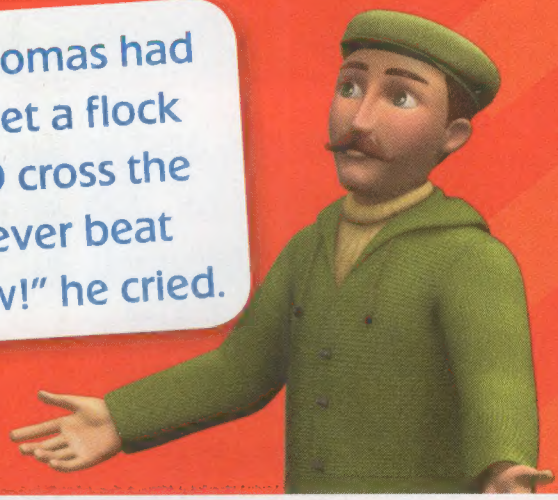
Ready, steady, GO!



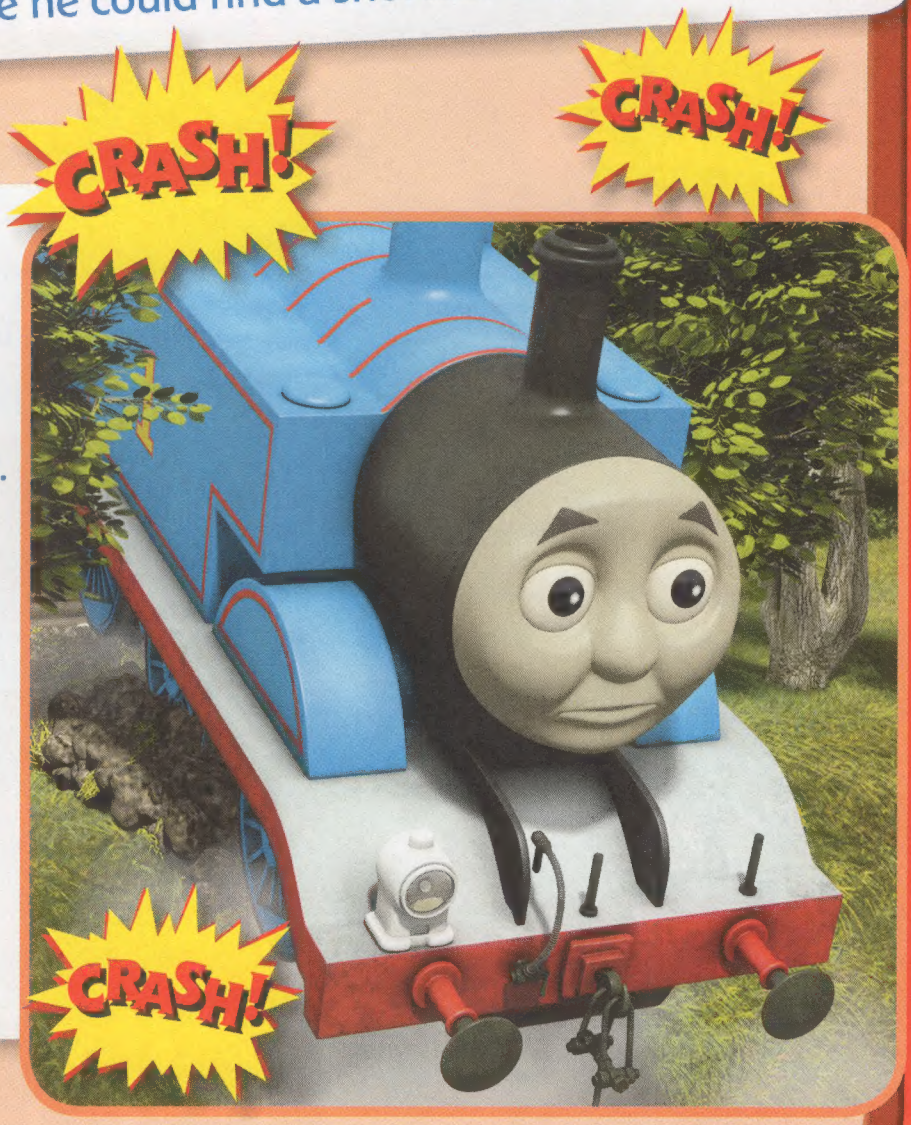
4 Soon Thomas had to stop to let a flock of **sheep** cross the line. "I'll never beat Bertie now!" he cried.

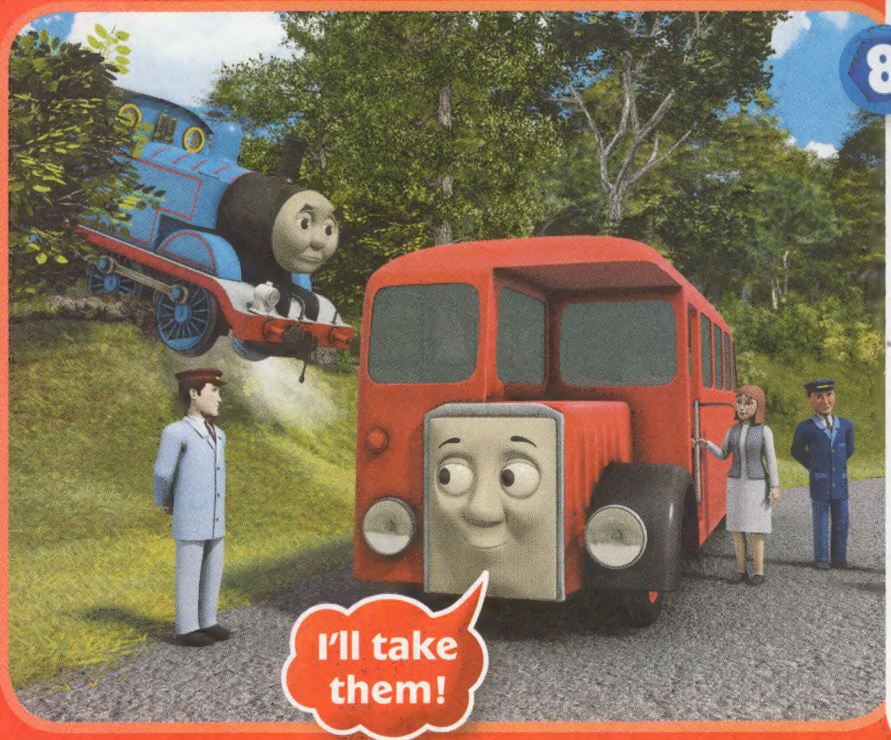


5 Thomas was right! He was late puffing up to the crossing and Bertie had already arrived. Thomas had to stop while Bertie **zoomed** past.

6 No matter how quickly Thomas left the Station or how **fast** he puffed, Bertie kept winning the races. Thomas couldn't understand it. "Now I take a shortcut, so my route is much **quicker**," admitted Bertie. Thomas was **surprised,** and even more **upset**. He had to find a way of beating Bertie. Maybe he could find a shortcut too!

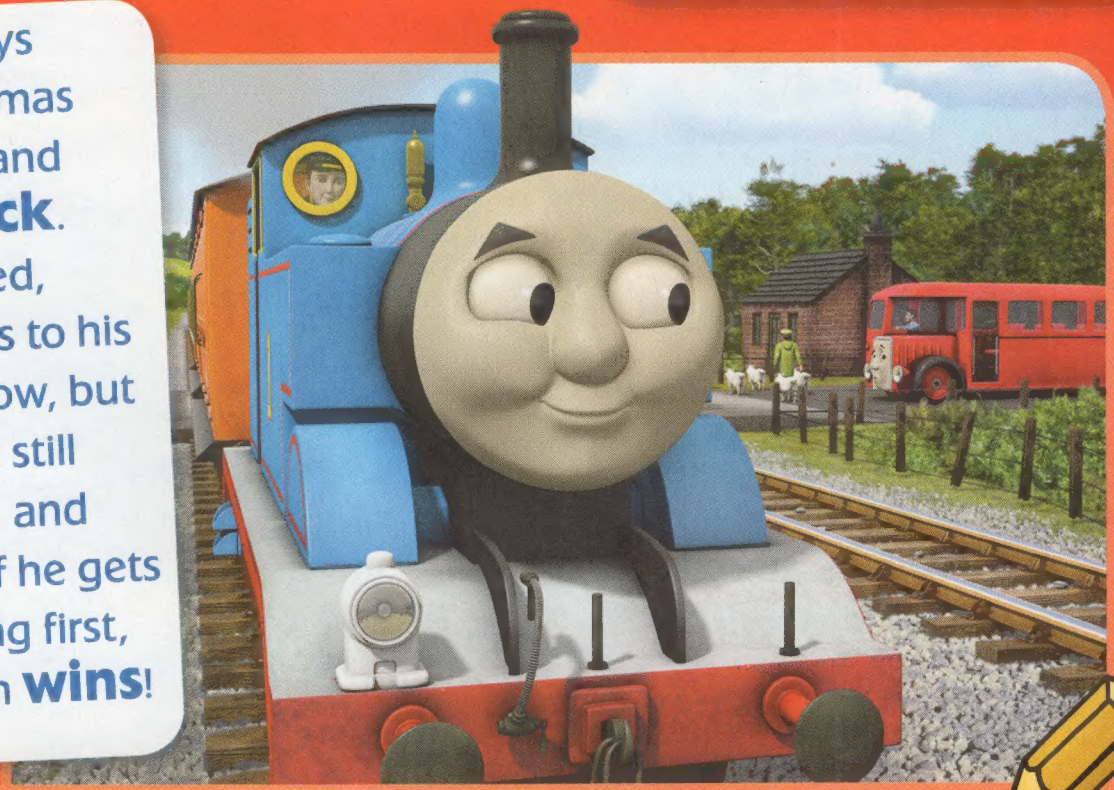
7 At Dryaw the next day the passengers boarded and Thomas **sped away** before Bertie. Thomas spotted a hidden track ahead and switched to it, hoping it would be a shortcut. Instead, he hit some rotten **buffers** and his wheels came off the track!





8 Bertie found **Thomas** and took his passengers on board. Harvey came to shunt Annie and Clarabel out of the way and Sir Topham Hatt was very upset with Thomas! **"I'm very sorry!"** said Thomas. "I'll stick to my branch line from now on!"

9 A few days later, Thomas was repaired and back **on track**. As he promised, Thomas keeps to his branch line now, but he and Bertie still love to race... and sometimes, if he gets to the crossing first, Thomas even **wins**!



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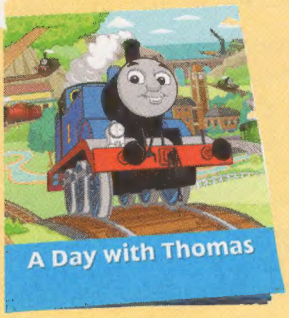
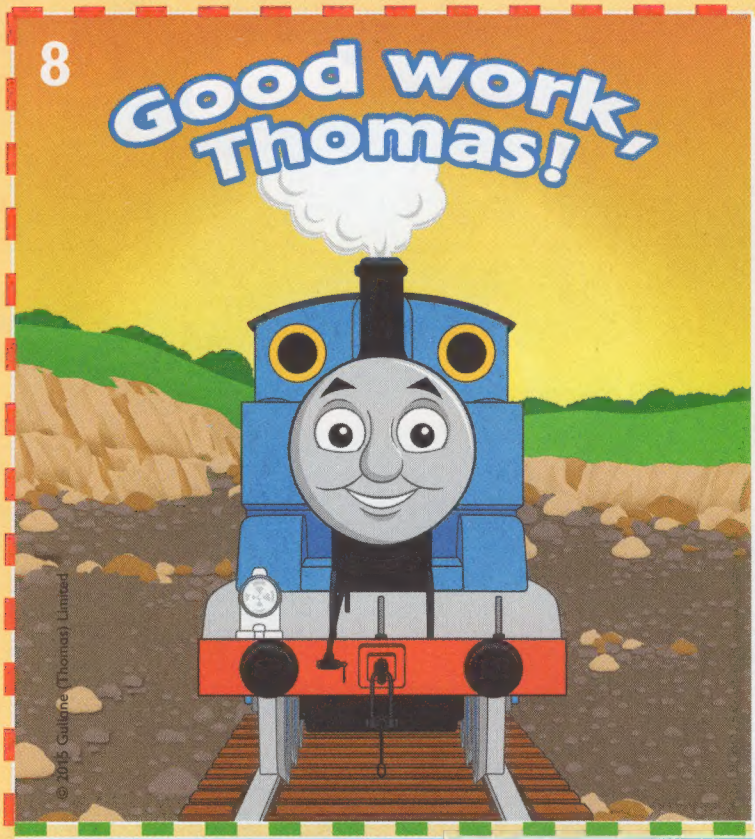
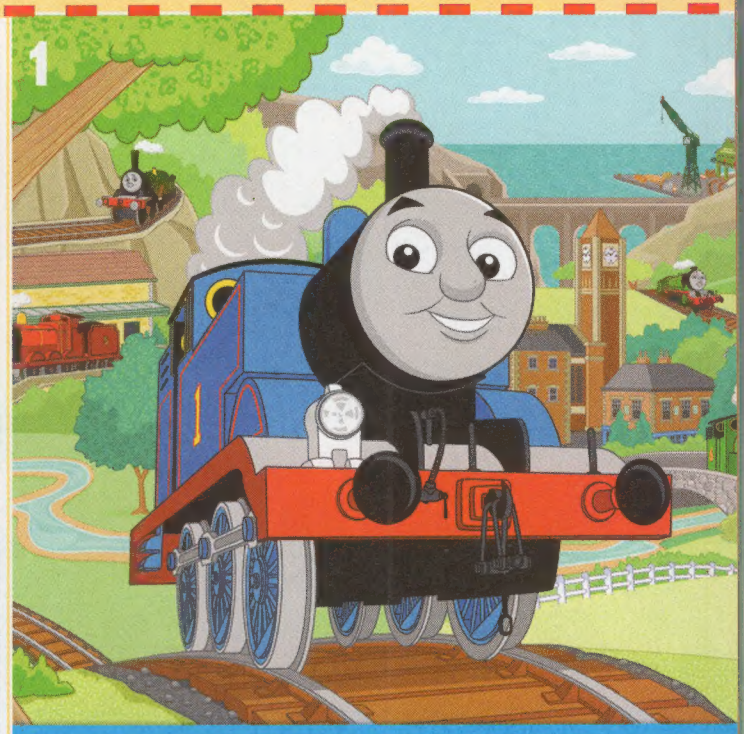


Spend a Day with Thomas!

Turn the page to find out how to make your Thomas mini-book.

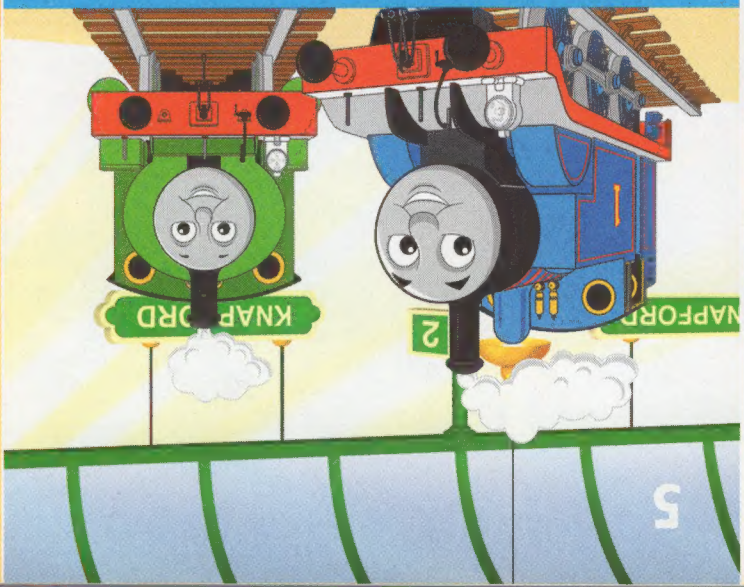


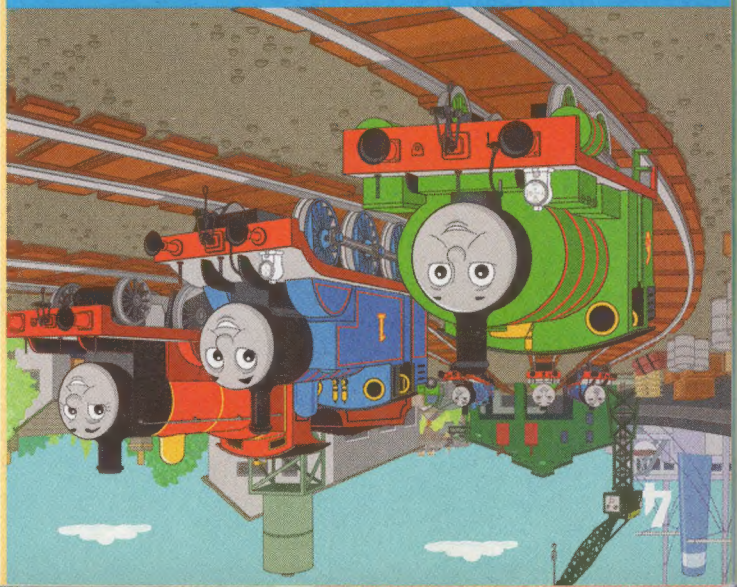


A Day with Thomas

Thomas passes Percy at Knapford.
Percy is still waiting for his passengers to arrive!

James and Percy are also at the Docks.
Percy is going to pick up some passengers at Knapford and James is carrying coal to the Quarry.

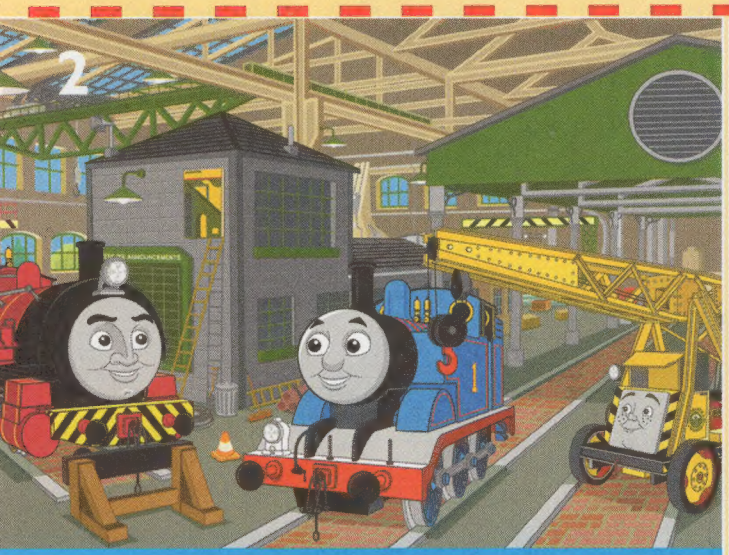




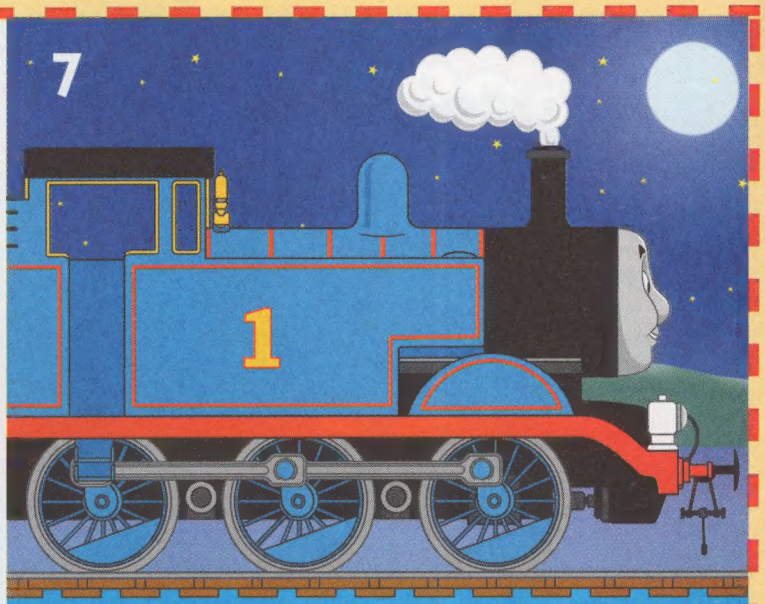
How to make your Thomas mini-book:

1. After you have finished with your magazine, carefully cut out this page.
2. Cut along the red dotted lines.
3. Fold the page in half, from top to bottom, so page 1 is on the outside.
4. Fold the page in in half again, so page 1 is at the top.
5. Ask an adult to help you cut along the green dotted lines at the bottom of each page.
6. Then ask an adult to staple the pages together.

Now your Thomas mini book is complete. Really Useful!

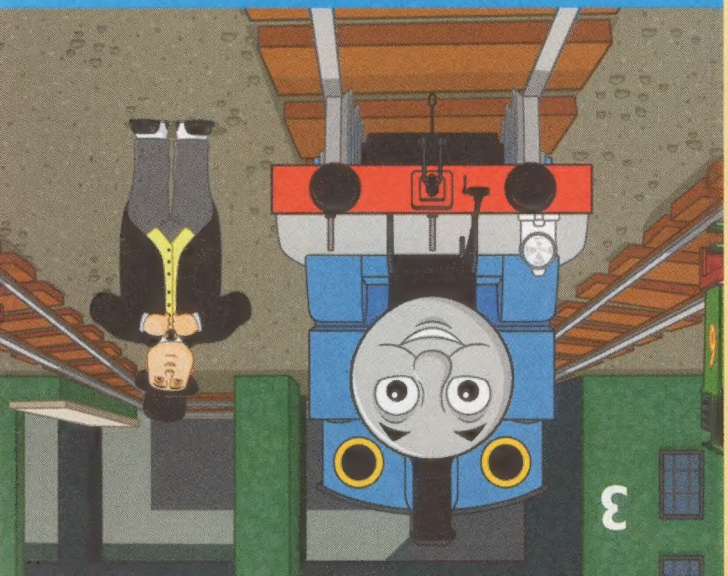


One morning Thomas stops by the Steamworks to say hello to Victor and Kevin. They are very busy repairing engines today!

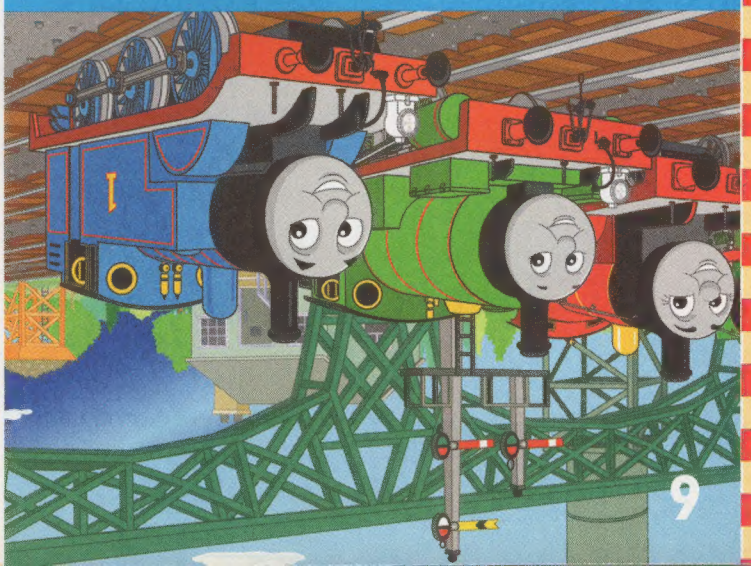


It is time to go to the Sheds for a good night's rest. Tomorrow will be busy too!

After the Steamworks, Thomas reports to Sir Topham Hatt. His job today is to help deliver some crates from the Docks.



Finally everyone has finished their work for the day. Thomas, Percy, and James are feeling like Really Useful engines!



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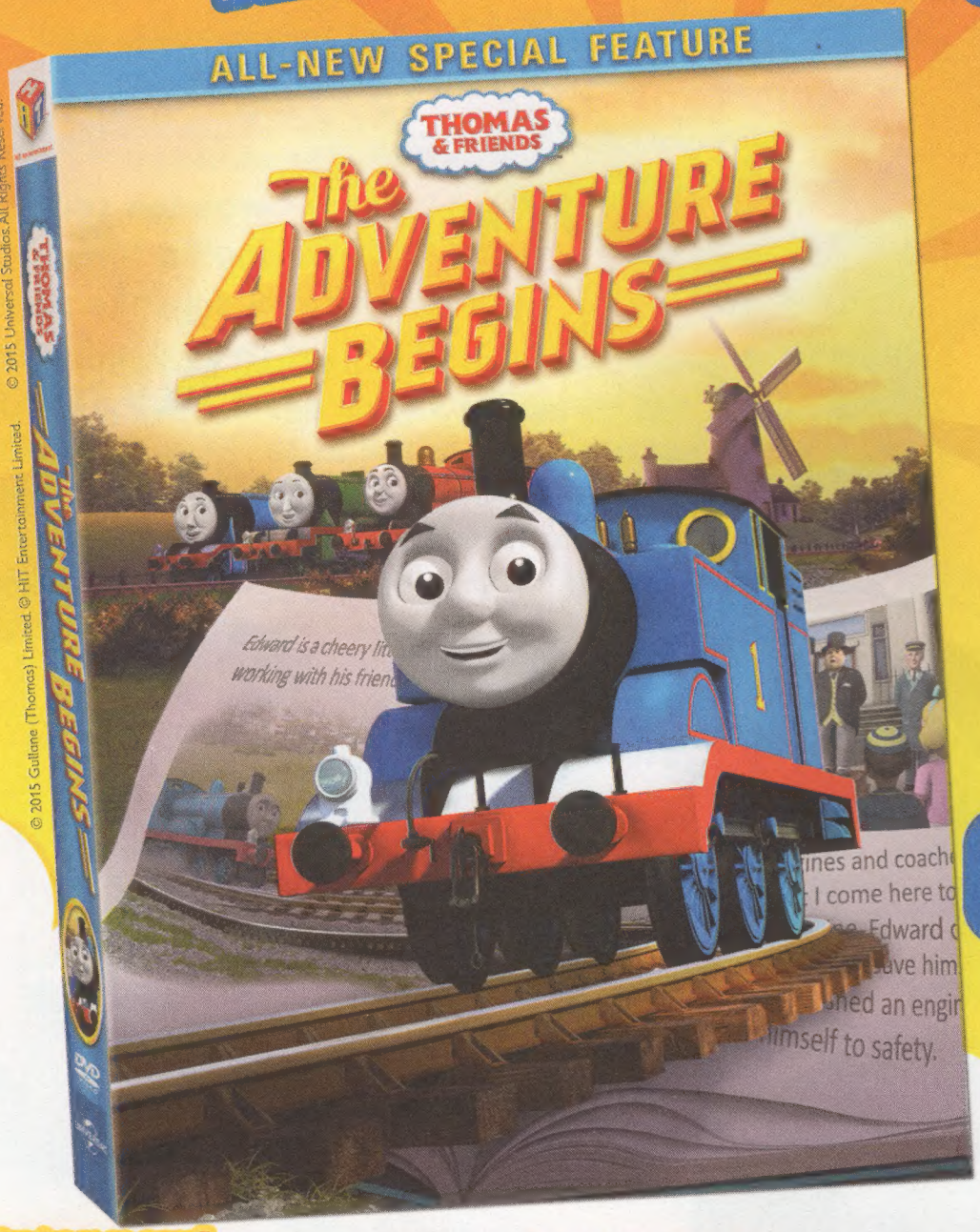

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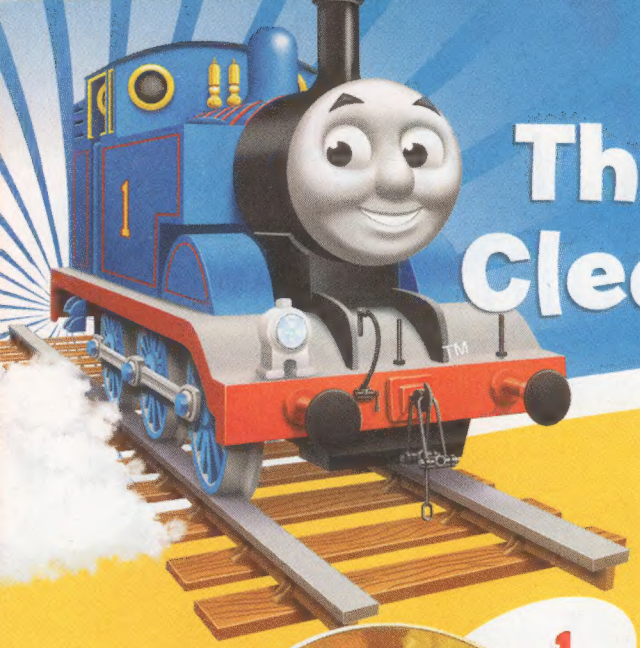


Let's make

Thomas & Percy's Clean-up Cupcakes

Quick, easy, and delicious!

Ingredients:

- 1 cup (250g) oatmeal
- 2/3 cup (150g) butter
- 1/2 cup (75g) honey**
- 1/2 cup (75g) sugar
- 1/4 cup (50g) raisins
- 1/4 cup (20g) pumpkin or sunflower seeds

Equipment:

- saucepan
- wooden spoon
- muffin tin
- 6 cupcake papers
- oven pre-heated* to 350°F (180°C)

You'll need a grown-up to help you with this recipe.

How to make:

Step 1:
Put the butter, honey, and sugar into a saucepan and heat gently until melted.*

Step 2:
Remove the saucepan from the heat and stir in the oats, raisins, and seeds. Mix everything together.*

Step 3:
Share the mixture equally between the 6 papers. Press down with a spoon.

Step 4:
Bake for about 20 minutes, or until golden. Leave to cool before eating.*

* Adult required for these steps.

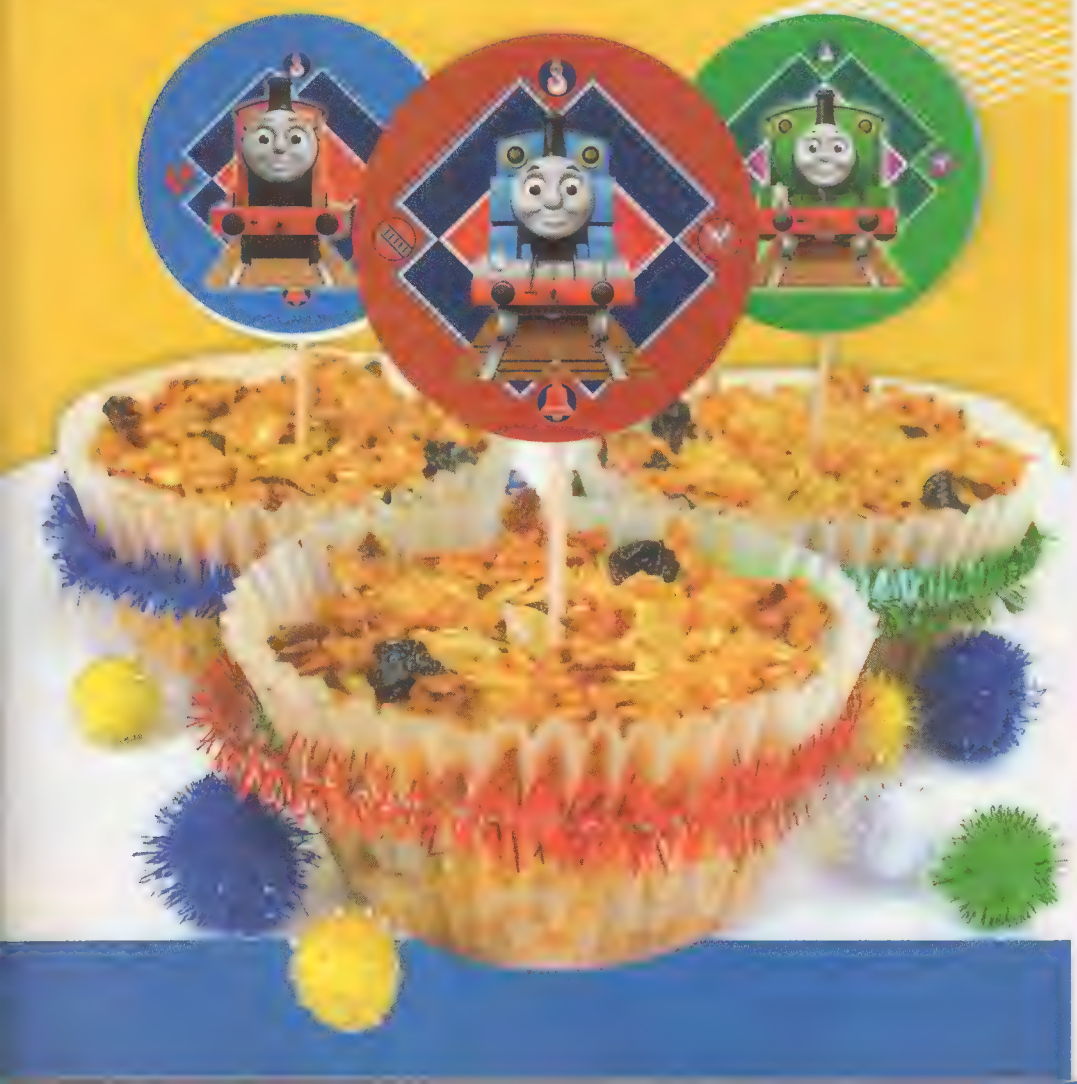
** Honey may be unsafe for children under 1 year old.

A parent and child activity

Make these yummy treats with Thomas and Percy to help celebrate spring clean-up time on Sodor!

Add the finishing touch:

When you are finished with your magazine, carefully cut out the engine circles on the right. Then cut six pieces of paper the same size as the engine circles and place one on top of the other. Glue a toothpick between the two. Finally, push an engine decoration into the center of each cupcake.



ROLL CALL!

Shout out the name of each engine then count as high as their numbers.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7

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Steam Team Spring!

workbook

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Help clean up Sodor by finding the broom on each activity spread.

Add the things below and write the numbers in the boxes. Circle the groups with the most.

How many altogether?

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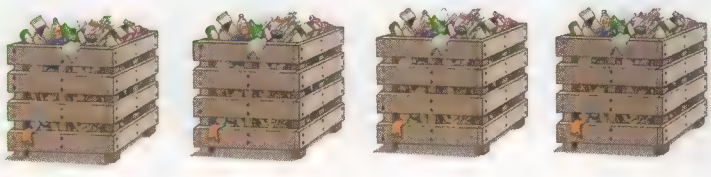
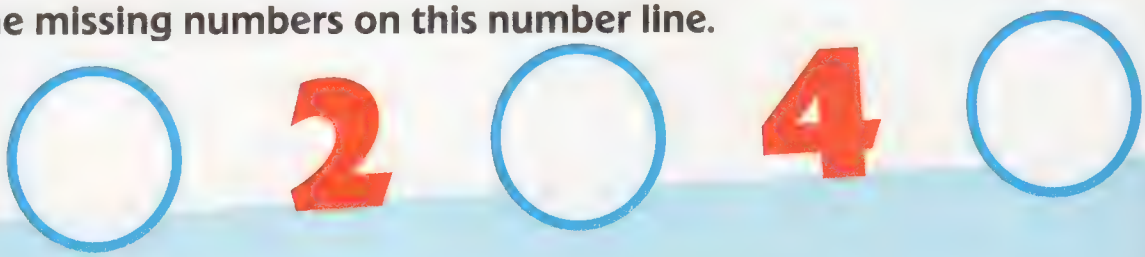
Cross out 1 recycling crate. How many are left?



Fill in the missing numbers on this number line.



Look for and count the items in the picture below.

oil barrels

engines

clouds

buckets

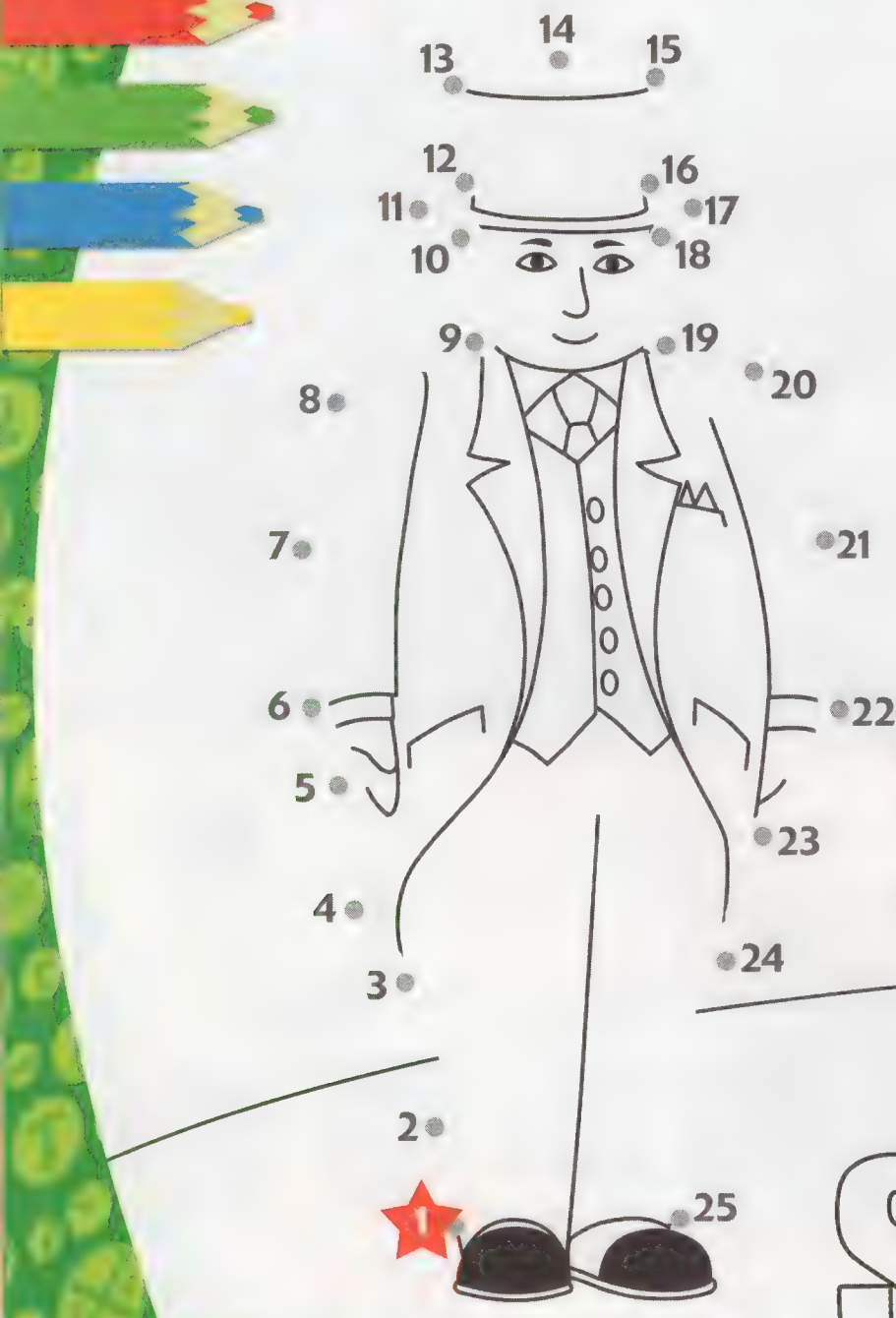
Hint: The numbers you fill in on the number line below are the engines' numbers above!

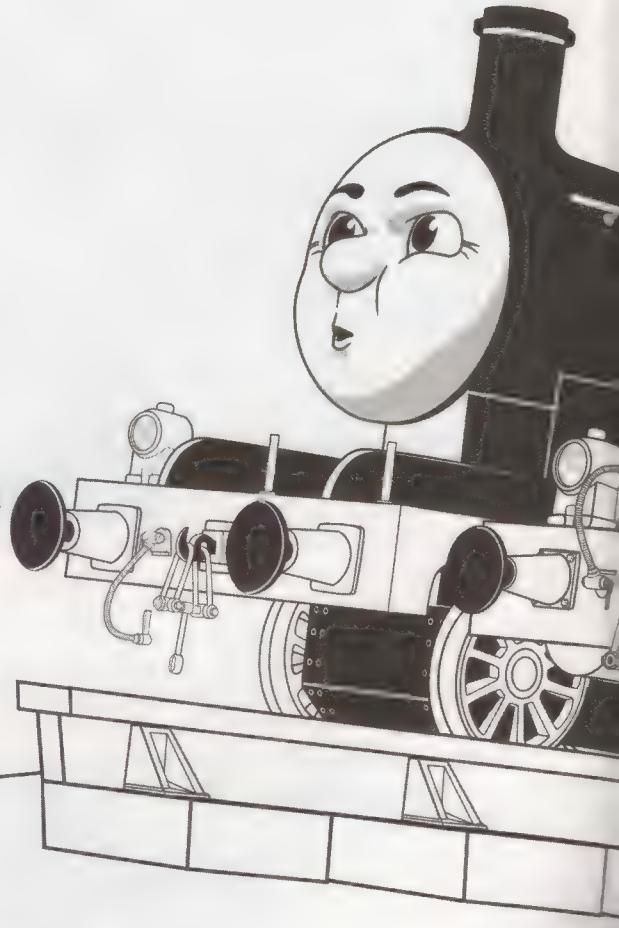
7 8 9 10

PARENT NOTE: Counting helps develop math skills and number recognition.

color

Sodor is proud of its Steam Team!
First connect the dots to draw
Sir Topham Hatt, then color the picture.





Steam

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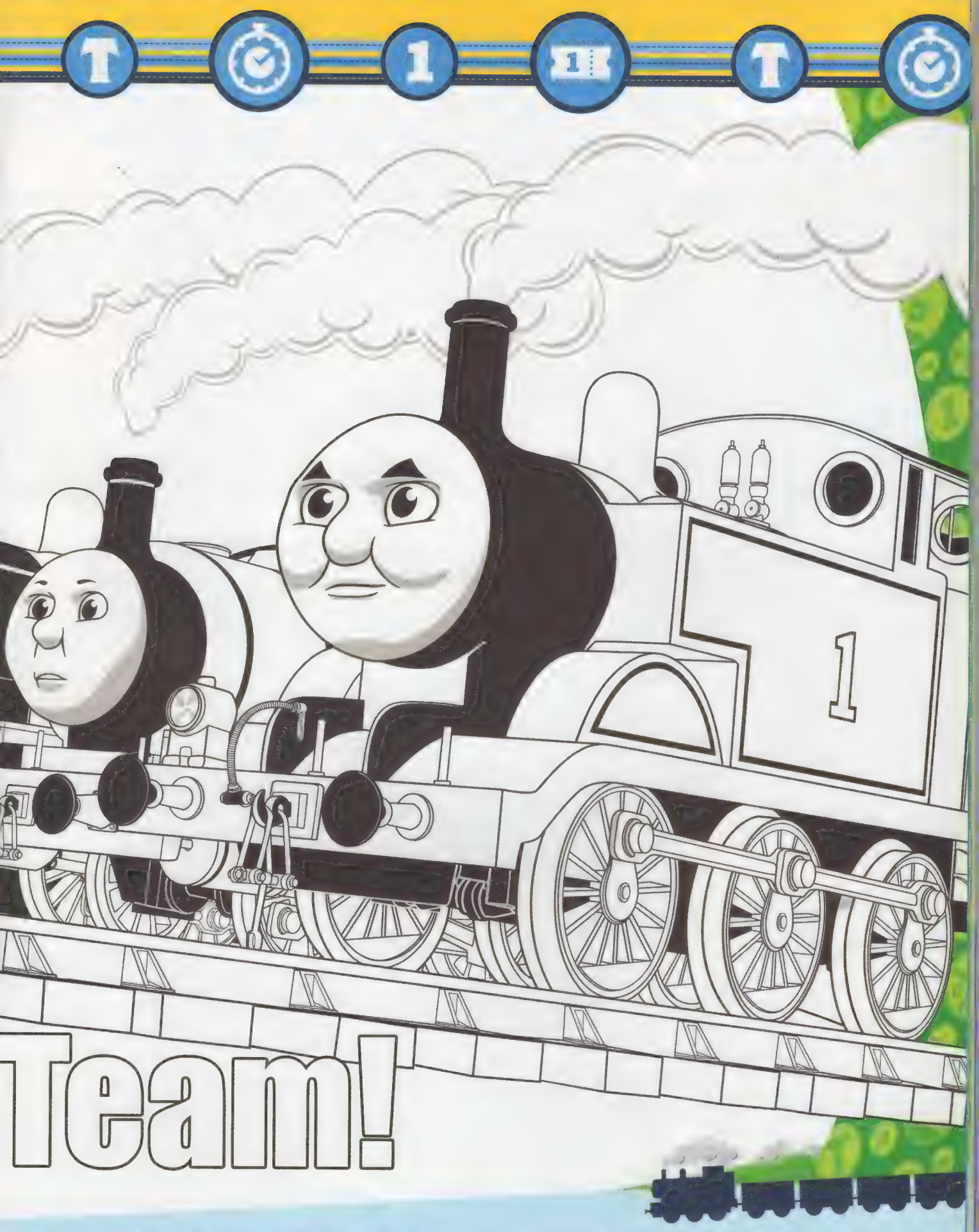

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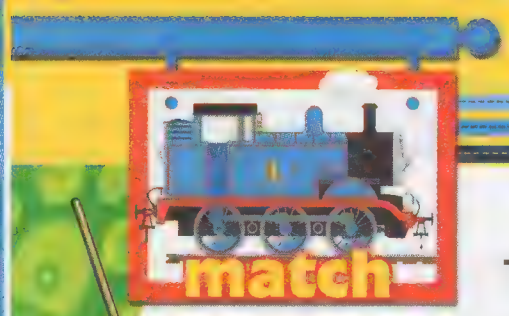
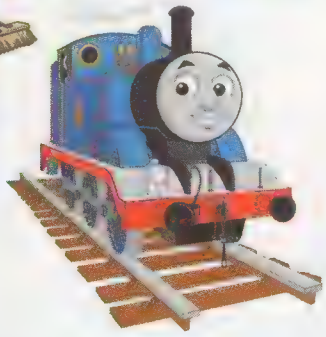
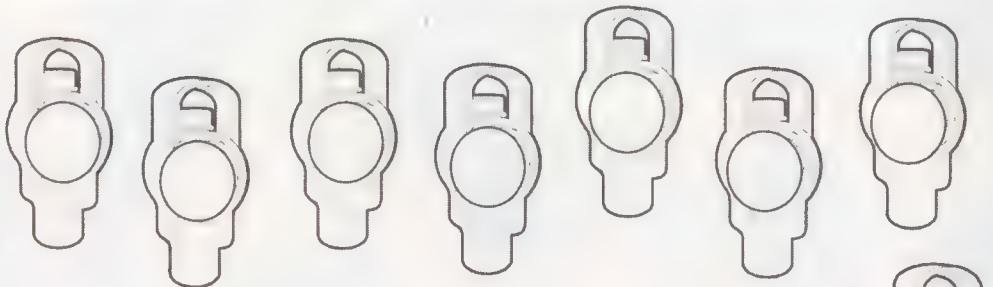


Thomas and Percy need new lamps. Look at the key below and color the trail of lamps.





KEY

Color 4 yellow

Color 6 blue

Color 3 green

Color 5 red

How many lamps altogether?

Write the correct letters to match the engines to their names.

A. James B. Edward C. Emily D. Toby

Match each group to its correct number by drawing a line.

1

2

3

4

PARENT NOTE: Matching and grouping helps strengthen cognitive skills.

letters

Thomas is delivering invitations to a spring party! Trace the correct path so he can bring them to Percy's mail train.

Whose name can you spell out from the red letters?

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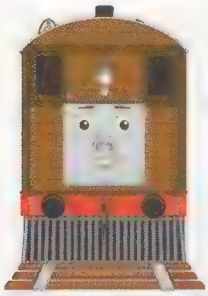
A B C D E F G H I J K L M



Trace over the engines' names. What word can you spell out from the dark blue letters?

(Hint: It's the opposite of the word 'no'!)

t o b y

j a m e s

b a s h

PARENT NOTE: These activities help develop letter writing skills, spelling, and fine motor skills.

N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

look

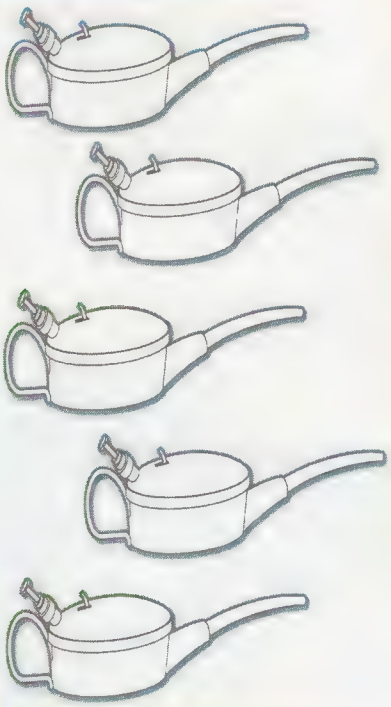
Hiro is getting a spring clean!
Find and circle 5 differences between picture A and picture B.

A

Clean up!

B

Color an oil can for each difference you find.



Time for a fresh paint job at Knapford! Help the workers by matching the close-ups to the big picture.

PARENT NOTE These activities help develop matching, observational, and fine motor skills.

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Steam Team Spring! workbook

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I finished my Workbook!

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Write your name on the dotted line when you have finished all the activities in your workbook.

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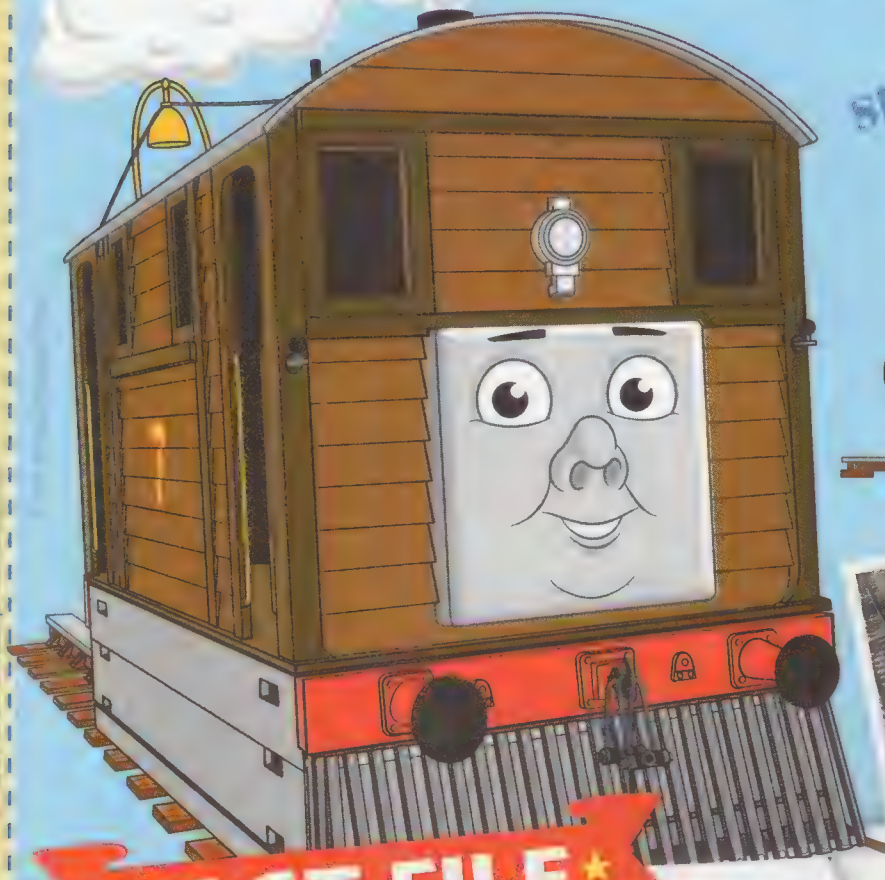

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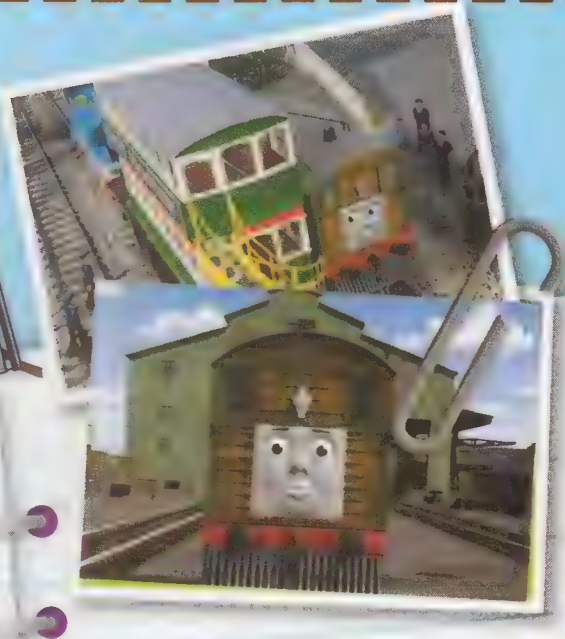


FACT FILE

Name: Toby

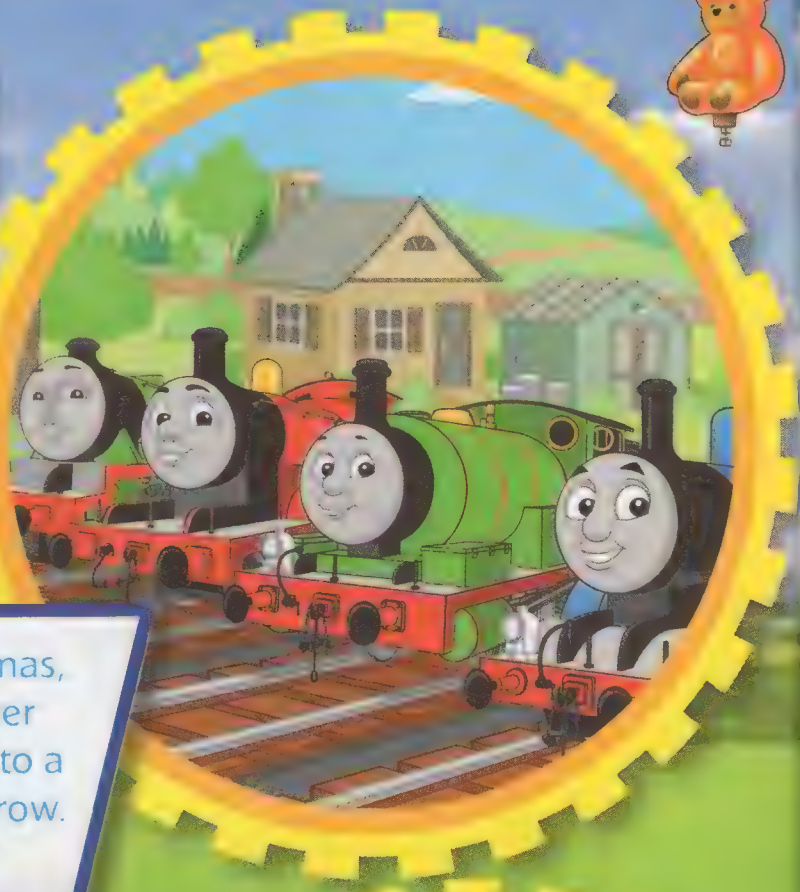
Color: Mostly brown, with red bumpers, and a brass bell

About: Toby is the No. 7 brown tram engine. He's square - old-fashioned both in looks and nature. Toby's always happy to work and is usually found on the Quarry line with his faithful coach, Henrietta.

Fun Fact: Sir Topham Hatt brought Toby to his railway to help out with Thomas' branch line. Toby is based on a steam driven 0-6-0 tram engine.

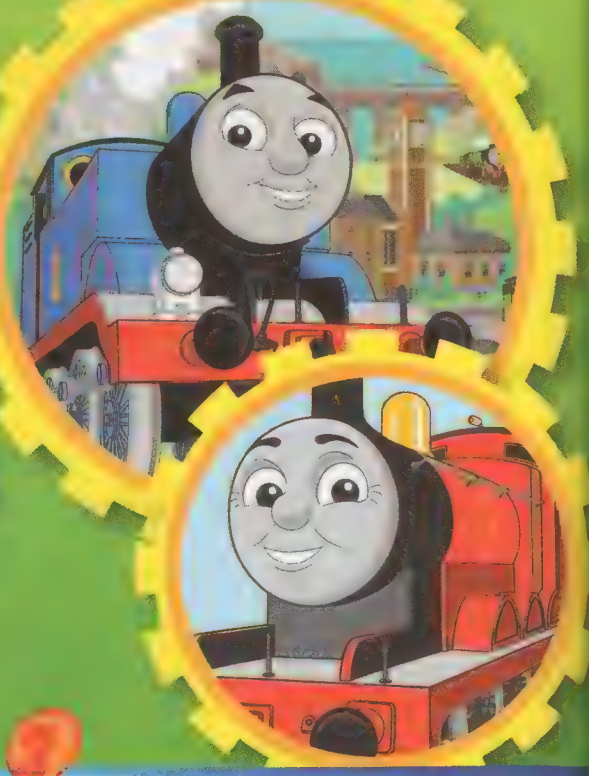
Cut out & keep collectible!

The Flying Teapot

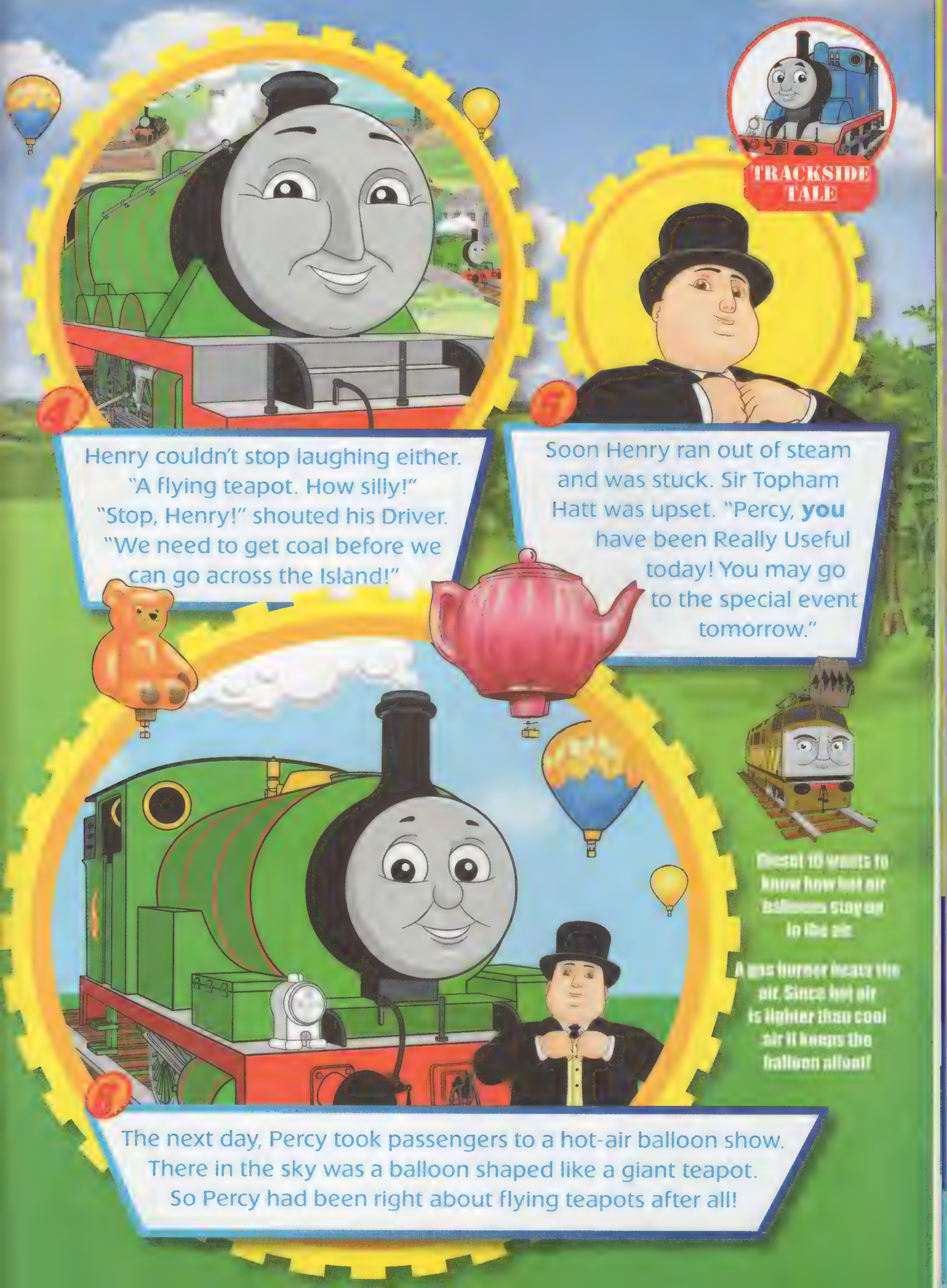


One day, Sir Topham Hatt told Thomas, James, Percy, and Henry, "Whoever finishes their job first today will go to a special event at Sodor Moor tomorrow. Let's see who is Really Useful!"

Suddenly, Percy gasped, "Look! It's a flying teapot!" Thomas, James, and Henry chuckled at their little friend. In fact, they could not stop laughing!



Thomas laughed so much, he forgot to collect Annie and Clarabel. James was laughing so much that he forgot to stop at his platform!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Henry couldn't stop laughing either. "A flying teapot. How silly!" "Stop, Henry!" shouted his Driver. "We need to get coal before we can go across the Island!"
Soon Henry ran out of steam and was stuck. Sir Topham Hatt was upset. "Percy, you have been Really Useful today! You may go to the special event tomorrow."
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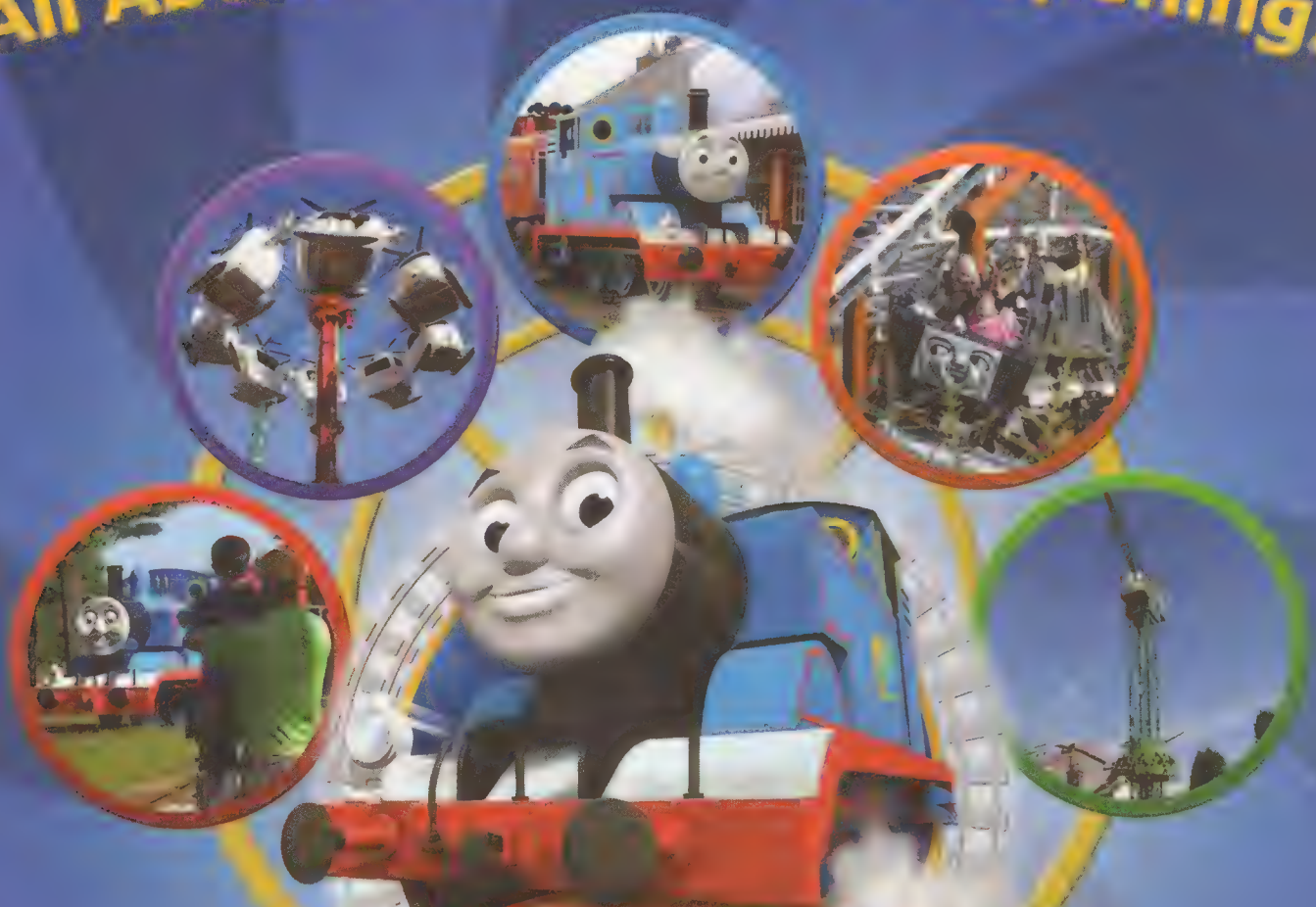

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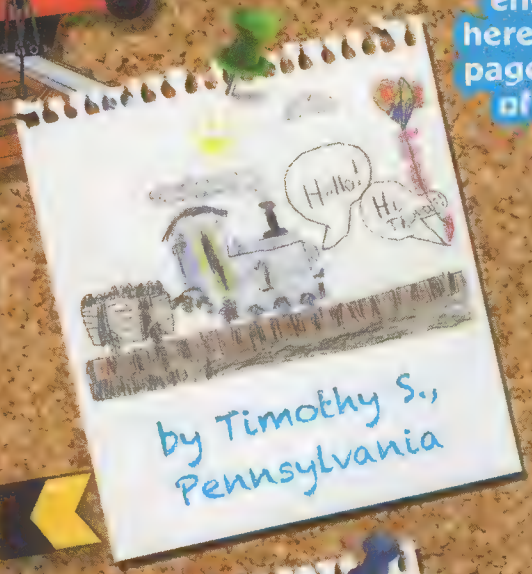

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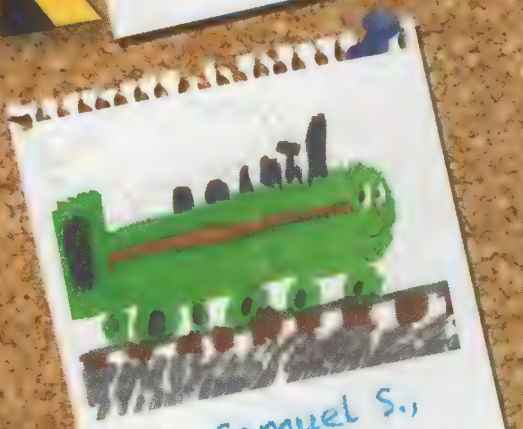

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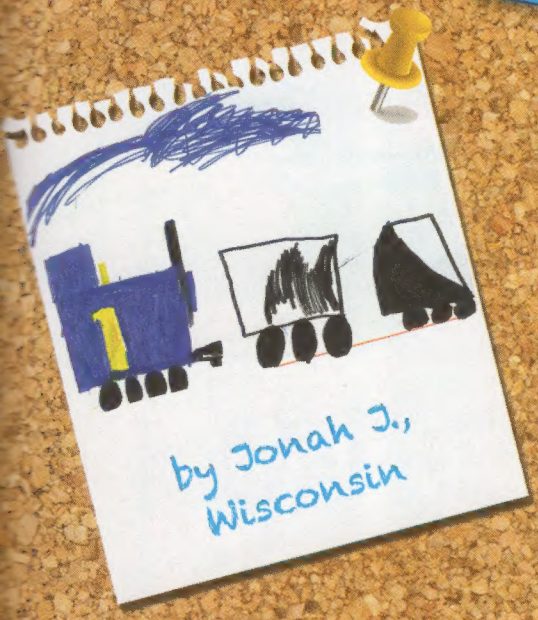

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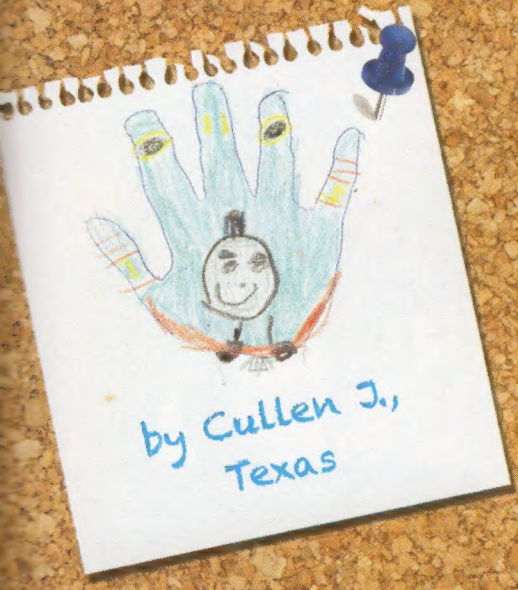

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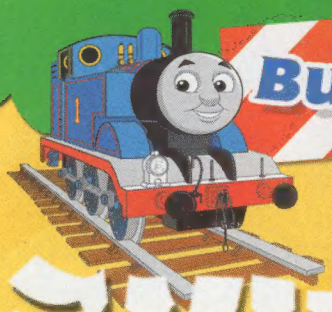

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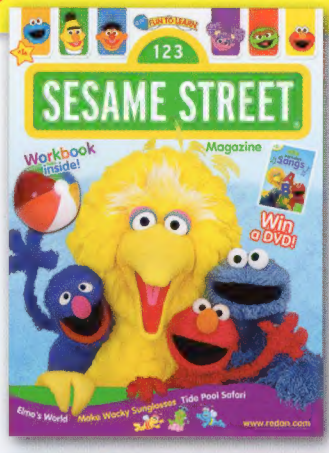

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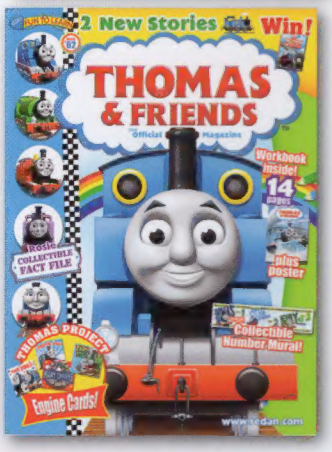

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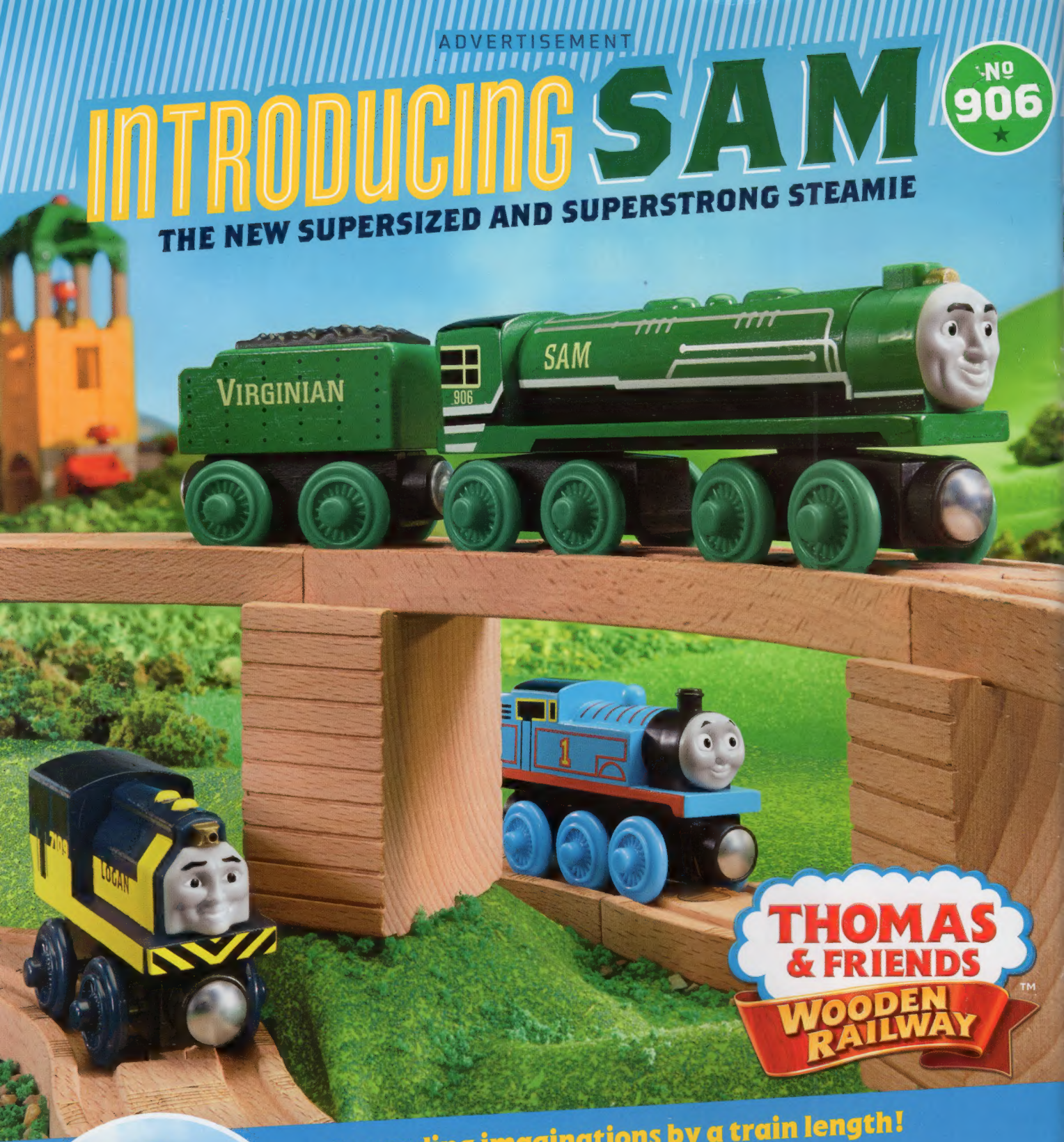

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